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Bank of Montreal Report Shows Record Increase

Balance Sheet Reveals Unprecedented Strength. Resources \$1,313,000,000—Deposits \$1,205,000,000—Quick Assets \$1,035,000,000.

PROFITS UP, SLIGHTLY AT \$3,302,834 EQUAL 4.30% OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Demonstrating the important extent to which it is participating in the financing of the war, the Bank of Montreal today publishes its 126th annual statement, showing substantial increase in its main features with resources at the highest figure in its history. The statement, which is its customary "easily understandable" form, shows assets of \$1,313,000,000 which is \$138,000,000 above the previous record figure of a year ago.

Profits at \$3,302,834 show a slight increase over the figure for 1942 when the bank reported earnings of \$3,283,018, and represent 4.30 per cent of the capital, reserve and undivided profits, compared with 4.31 per cent last year. With the heightened business activity incident to the war, this figure might have been expected to be higher, but increased taxes have practically offset the effect of enlarged gross earnings. At a figure nearly \$375,000 higher than in 1942, the bank's Dominion Government tax bill for the current year amounted to \$2,912,000. Of this amount, \$165,000 is refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act.

The net profits at \$3,302,834 were distributed to shareholders to the extent of \$2,160,000 which compares with \$2,700,000 last year, and an amount of \$500,000 was written off bank provisions. This left a balance of \$612,834 to be added to the previous balance of \$1,236,657 in the profit and loss account, leaving the amount in this account at \$1,849,521.

Deposits at Record

Deposits—the largest item in the balance sheet and one which best shows public confidence in the institution have shown a marked advance in the twelve-month period, notwithstanding the heavy inroads made into surplus funds by subscribers to Victory Loans. Under the deposit heading the bank shows an amount of \$1,205,874,000 which is \$140,000,000 above the figure for 1942, which constituted a record at that time.

NINE DEAD IN ALBERTA ACCIDENTS

Nine Albertans aged four to 19 years, died in one of the most tragic week-ends in Alberta's history. Five drowned—Harold Kager, 15; Mildred Erickson, 18; Gilbert Anderson, 17, all attending Lacombe Junior College, who fell through thin ice of Barnett's Lake, and Harvey Larson, 19, and Ralph Melin, 15 drowned near Millet.

Two were burned to death—Roy, 4, and Chester Anderson, 9 when their farm home at Lardist was destroyed by fire, east of Sundre. George Miller, 18, was accidentally shot and killed on a hunting trip. Sherman Foster, 11, of Sangudo, died in Edmonton from injuries received when kicked by a horse—Lethbridge Herald.

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Commercial and other loans at \$226,399,000 are only slightly higher. This is in line with the trend of recent years, in which the need for banking accommodation has been substantially decreased. There is the fact also that many firms engaged in peace-time pursuits, with much reduced production, are not now requiring the financial assistance needed in former years.

Like commercial loans, call have shown some increase and amount to \$22,036,000 as against \$16,210,000 in 1942.

Government Holdings Rise Sharply

As would be expected, the bank's holdings of Government and other securities have risen sharply and now stand at \$799,462,000 compared with \$683,835,000 a year ago. The bank's investment portfolio, as always, is made up in large measure of Dominion Government and high grade provincial and municipal securities which mature at early dates.

In line with this is the increase in the bank's quickly available resources which amount to \$1,035,610,000, being 83.81 per cent of liabilities to the public. An increase of nearly \$10,000,000 in these resources is recorded in cash on hand and money on deposit with the Bank of Canada together stand at \$122,277,000 as against \$112,710,000.

Notes of the bank in circulation show a reduction from 15,354,000 to \$9,790,000 reflecting the trend which began some years ago when, under the terms of revised banking legislation, the chartered bank commenced the gradual reduction of their note circulation in favour of the Bank of Canada.

With total resources amounting to \$1,313,064,000 and liabilities to the public amounting to \$1,235,631,000 there is left an excess of resources of \$77,433,000. This is comprised of the capital of \$36,000,000 and reserve fund, profit and loss account and reserve for dividends totalling \$41,433,000 which together represent the shareholders' equity in the bank.

The more important items of the balance sheet are given below, with comparative figures for 1942:

Profits

Annual Carnival Is Big Success

Friday night last saw the finish of Raymond's annual Carnival and Funfest, and it was the usual big success. The renovated Opera House was ablaze with lights and buzzing with laugh and chatter and the usual carnival confusion was there with everyone enjoying their attractions against the competition of the Cardston Aces orchestra and the amplifier from the Bingo game.

The usual run of games were lined up on the sides of the hall and the exhibition of mounted birds and animals of Walter Gurney of Lethbridge was one of the finest drawing cards of the carnival and a real education to those who visited it. The lunch stand and bingo was on the stand, and the crowd was milling back and forth and around all night, stopping in between rambles for a game of bingo to rest its feet or a dance to tire them out again.

There was a fine lot of prizes for the various games, and winners were pleased as punch when they won a nice doll a doll cradle or some other coveted prize. Interest of course centered on the draw for the big prizes and when the Bicycle draw announced, a quiet settle

led over the crowd and the draw was made by a young girl present, M. T. King announcing the winner Marty Lund, eleven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Lund. Marty thought they were kidding him when they were silenced again when the draw told him of his good luck. About 1 a.m. the crowd was for the lovely Chesterfield was announced. The tickets were shaken well and then shaken some more, and Deal Mendenhall, visiting here from Utah was asked to make the draw. The ticket was drawn, and M. T. King announced the winner, this time young Bobby Litchfield. Bobby wasn't there to get the thrill of having his name read off, but he was tickled pink just the same and the Chesterfield was delivered to the Reid Litchfield home the Monday following.

No report has been made on the financial side of the Carnival, but judging by the second nights turnout and the way the games were going there will be a nice surplus to go to the community betterment fund. Thanks to the A.A.A. and the Lions for again sponsoring the entertainment of such a fine nature and for such a good purpose.

A Post War Program

Shall we have a post war program for Raymond and district? Are we too small to undertake such a scheme? Will our returned men and women be able to fit themselves into our program without and undue disruption of our routine life?

These and many other questions must be answered by we citizens of Raymond and district, and they should be answered in an intelligent and with a real thought and study of the problem. There is much that might be done. We could name a dozen civic undertakings that need attention and have needed attention for a long while. Our sidewalks, our water system, our street surfacing plans, sewer and disposal system, to mention just a few. There are many homes that will need repairing, there will be new ones to be built. We hope that by that time a solution shall have been reached on the St. Mary's River Irrigation scheme, in which case there will be a great deal of work to be done in repairing and enlarging our irrigation system. And then, hundreds of

homes should be modernized with furnaces, hot and cold running water, bathrooms, and so on.

Other towns and districts smaller than we are have committees already working on these schemes. Canvasses are made and the plans for the future are discussed and specific commitments made. Then this information is assembled and catalogued and in estimate made of the value of materials, the man hours of labor, and just how near the needs will come to fitting the demands for work that the change from war time to peace time will make on us. Everyone knows that little can be done at present due to lack of materials in the carrying out of these plans. But, if costs were estimated, after decisions had been reached, and savings plan adopted to meet these expenses when they come due, the problem would be a long way toward a solution. And, there is no time, quite like the present to save and save with safety. These things should receive some thought and study by all.

NEWS NOTES

Grove Eveson of the Royal Canadian Navy is home on leave.

W. D. Mendenhall returned to his home in Springville, Utah on Thursday taking the plane from Lethbridge.

Karl Gehmlich is back at work at the Sugar Factory again. He is not fully recovered from his accident, but is able to do light work if he exercises caution in his movements.

T. Kubota is busy making some upstairs rooms in his town home here having the outside work finished, and Moto Karaki is busy installing his windows and re-shingling so that he can make some rooms in the upstairs of his home.

Sugar Campaign Nearing Completion

RECRUITING UNIT IN LETHBRIDGE

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 9-10-11 a mobile recruiting of the combined Army and Airforce services will be at the Marquis Hotel, Lethbridge, to interview persons interested in either branch of the service.

There is a decided need at present for recruits in the CWAC and for the RCAF (WD) and also men in the Aircrew division of the RCAF. This will give any men or women interested in enlisting or subject to military call up an opportunity to discuss their problems with the officials and get first hand information on all departments of the service. Remember the dates, and if you are interested be on hand to interview these people.

NEWS NOTES

V. Piegrass made a trip to Barnwell Wednesday night after the mechanics at the Factory had finished rebuilding the Athey Loader transmission.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hancock and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones were in New Dayton Wednesday evening to attend the meeting held there with John H. Blackmore as speaker.

Clarence and Ralph Richardson, brothers and sons of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Richardson are both in Italy according to latest word received from the boys and are only 60 miles apart, and both hoping that they will soon meet each other for a visit.

Lloyd Gilmore of the R.C.A.F., formerly of the Lethbridge Herald circulation staff, and his brother who is in the army were Raymond visitors Wednesday. They are both on the Public Relations staff of their respective services.

Mr. and Mrs. Alma Sommerfeldt of Cardston district, have moved to Raymond and are living on the Geo. Rasmussen farm. Mrs. Sommerfeldt is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen and they are going to assist George in the operation of the farm.

Elder and Mrs. Howard Hamilton of Tyrell's Lake branch, and Elder Furness, on his way home from the Eastern Canadian Mission and a guest of the Hamiltons were speakers at the First Ward Sacrament meeting Sunday evening. Their talks and some splendid musical numbers made a very interesting meeting.

Cot. Dooty and Mr. Wright, the former in charge of the German war prisoner labor and the latter a member of the B.C. Security commission were guests at Rotary on Monday. Col Dooty was expatriated from Japan after being a prisoner of war for a number of months and related some interesting experiences to the Rotarians.

Dr. J. Harris Walker, returned home Saturday after completing his university course and interne work in medicine in Montreal, and is planning over the CBC National network after the health of the people in Raymond and district. Raymond welcomes Harris home and is proud of the fine record he has made while away. We wish him every success in his work here with us.

WHEN WILL SUGAR MAKING CAMPAIGN CLOSE?

This is the question asked repeatedly around the Factory these days. Some say December 20th, some say we will all be home for Christmas, and others think it will be nearly New Year's before the last of the beets are through the knives and the juice through the heaters and various processes.

The Factory is enjoying a very good run, and since the bulk of the bad beets have been worked out and the good beets coming in 1,500 ton runs have been made every once in a while. The purity of the juices has improved greatly since the heated beets have been put through, but the sugar content has not been quite so high.

The new Athey Loader, which was purchased with the idea of loading all the car beets with it has been under repair for quite a lot of the time and crawler cranes have had to be used to do the loading this delay resulting in practically all of the local storage pile being used up. However the transmission was brought to the Factory machine shop here and completely rebuilt and sent back to the loader Wednesday night and it is expected that the loading will really be wound up in a big hurry now.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hancock were Lethbridge visitors Thursday.

Lloyd Kitchen of the R.C.A.F. at Claresholm was at home on leave this week. He looks fine and says he is enjoying his work very much.

Speakers at the 2nd Ward Sacrament meeting Sunday evening were Dr. Harris Walker and Elder Alma Sommerfeldt. Both gave interesting and instructive talks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Richardson have received word from England that their son Calvin was married there on October 23rd to Miss Peggy Mundy. We extend our congratulations to the young couple for a long and happy married life.



JEANNE DESJARDINS

She is one of Montreal's best-known sopranos and a leading member of the cast which presented a season of opera over the CBC National network last summer. Mlle Desjardins will be heard in joint recital with Marie-Therese Paquin, pianist, on Thursday, December 9th, at 3:30 p.m. CDT. The program will be heard over the National network.



RALPH STAPLES

As newly appointed national secretary of the CBC's Farm Radio Forum, Ralph Staples is in charge of organizing listening groups of farmers across Canada, and providing them with material for discussion. Each Monday evening these farm forums gather about their radios to hear agricultural experts discuss matters of vital concern to the farmer. Broadcast over a chain of CBC networks the National Farm Radio Forum is heard on Mondays, at 9.30 p.m. CDT.

	1943	1942
Total Resources	\$1,313,064,654	\$1,175,319,231
Liquid Resources	1,035,610,171	2896,935,228
Deposits in Canada	1,046,857,927	930,996,417
Deposits Elsewhere	159,016,863	133,649,022
Govt. and Other Bonds	799,462,639	688,835,390
Commercial Loans in Can. . . .	215,445,397	206,232,367
Commercial Loans Elsewhere . .	10,954,254	16,121,869
Prov. and Municipal Loans . . .	17,544,577	23,569,694
Call Loans in Canada	3,350,701	1,920,538
Call Loans Elsewhere	18,686,280	14,289,715
Capital, Surplus, Undivided Profits and Reserves for Dividends	77,433,333	76,793,014
Profits	3,302,834	3,283,018

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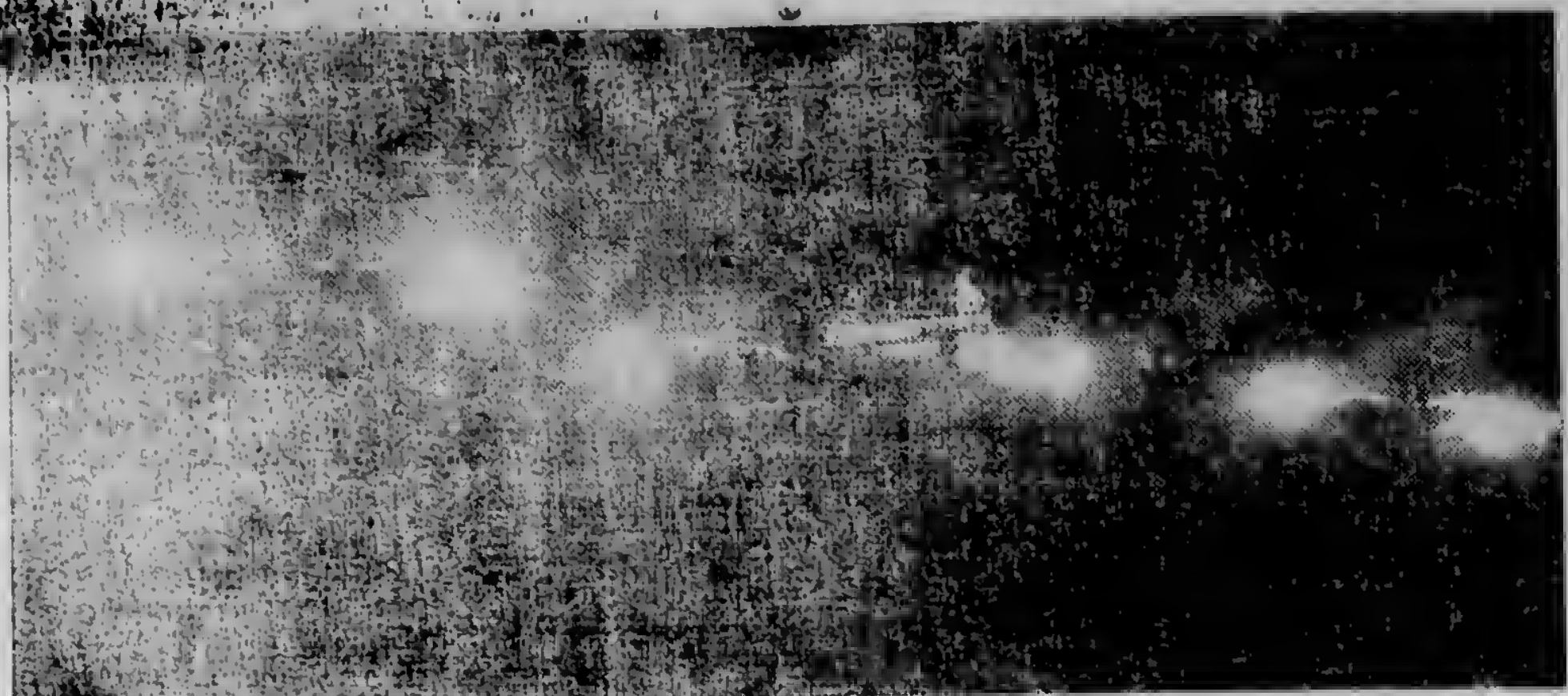
THE LAST GREAT STEP

Editorial from Liberty Oct. 1
In all our attempts to
print a future, on
and significant fact appears
the past, we have been able
achieve a world union

economic and political union. London or Washington. And at this time, because of the individuals who were and are men of good will, we have been able to achieve a common interest in the world. But, where we have dealt with individuals, we have dealt with individuals. We have not dealt with nations but with individuals, scientists, artists, humanitarians, international business flow ed smoothly on a credit system built on mutual confidence that justified itself. Scientific and cultural knowledge leaped all boundaries. Shakespeare was not the property of England alone. His name belonged to all the world, as Beethoven and Mendelssohn also belonged. The ion that opened new regions medical achievements of Moscow or Paris or Berlin were the world. In the past, we have shared with Detroit or two centuries, we watched the

The Allied Invasion of Italy:

Devastating pre-Landing Barrage



Through Libya, Tunisia, Sicily and now Italy, the 8th Army has relentlessly pursued the German force of aggression. At dawn on September 3rd, 1943, British and Canadian 8th Army troops crossed the straits of Messina to invade the Italian mainland. By September 10, the Italians had surrendered and the Anglo-US 5th Army had landed at Salerno Bay. By September 23, the 8th and 5th Armies had established a continuous front in their task of driving the Germans Northwards out of Italy.

Picture shows: Night barrage being the Germans Northwards out of Italy. Picture shows: Night barrage by Allied artillery from Sicily before the first 8th landings.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT

30th October, 1943

RESOURCES

Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada	\$122,277,005.70
Notes of and Cheques on Other Banks Payable in cash on presentation	50,369,612.03
Money on Deposit with Other Banks Available on demand or at short notice	41,078,651.11
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of Dominion Government and high-grade Provincial and Municipal securities which mature at early date.	799,462,639.56
Stocks Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.	385,280.79
Call Loans In Canada Elsewhere	22,036,981.99
TOTAL OF QUICKLY AVAILABLE RESOURCES (equal to 83.81% of all Liabilities to the Public)	\$1,035,610,171.18
Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts	17,544,577.50
Commercial and Other Loans In Canada Elsewhere	226,399,651.32
To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.	\$215,445,397.05
Bank Premises Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at \$1.00 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds \$13,400,000.00 are included under this heading.	13,400,000.00
Real Estate and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.	553,727.65
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.	17,068,844.05
Other Assets not included in the foregoing (but including refundable portion of Dominion Government taxes \$195,472.75)	2,487,682.99
Making Total Resources of	\$1,313,064,654.69

LIABILITIES

Due to the Public	\$1,205,874,791.46
Deposits In Canada Elsewhere	\$1,046,857,927.64
Payable on demand or after notice.	159,016,863.82
Notes of the Bank in Circulation Payable on demand.	9,790,640.00
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources").	17,068,844.05
Other Liabilities Items not included under the foregoing headings.	2,897,045.82
Total Liabilities to the Public	\$1,235,631,321.33
To meet which the Bank has resources as indicated above amounting to	\$1,313,064,654.69
Leaving an excess of Resources over Liabilities, which represents the Shareholders' interest over which Liabilities to the Public take precedence.	
Capital	\$36,000,000.00
Reserve Fund, Profit & Loss Account and Reserves for Dividends	41,433,333.36
\$ 77,433,333.36	

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 30th October, 1943, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion Government Taxes amounting to \$2,913,194.04 (of which \$165,585.92 is refundable under the provisions of The Excess Profits Tax Act)	\$3,302,834.19
Dividends paid or payable to Shareholders	\$2,160,000.00
Written off Bank Premises	500,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1942	\$ 642,834.19
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,236,686.94
\$1,879,521.13	

GEORGE W. SPINNEY,
President

B. C. GARDNER,
General Manager

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population of the world triple in number, because trading gave occupations, and occupations provided food for new millions. Now we are faced by the sober and somber fact that either we must achieve also a political union that will enable our economic union to operate unhampered, or we must resign ourselves to the awful destructiveness of new wars that will be unable to find sustenance in a world of new political rivalries and hates and antagonisms.

Only the other day Mr. Hsley speaking before the Trades and Labor Congress at Quebec, was urging that after the war we in Canada must help to develop trade between countries, "even to the point of helping other countries that they may be able to trade effectively with us and with others." And in Washington Mr. Brooke Claxton, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Prime Minister, was saying the same thing. This is the voice of Canada speaking an extension of that economic union which we have found good. But we must go farther than that, to a political union, so that sudden war will not again blot out a decade of friendly understanding and economic internationalism.

This is a responsibility the Canada cannot again shrug off. We cannot be complacent over the isolationist attitude of certain groups in Canada, and be critical of similar attitudes in the United States. There is no place remaining in our world for those who will not share responsibilities of all. Canada has taken a premier place in the councils of war. We must be equally active in the councils of peace, to the end that, in company with Russia, the United States, and the rest of the Commonwealth, we may assure peace in the world—by political methods if and when necessary, by mutual understanding if possible.

We have proven that there is an enormous power in human beings to achieve that on which they set their hearts. We have documented it with our economic union. Now we must assure it by taking the last great step—a mutual union for lasting peace.—Joseph Lister Rutledge.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mose Fromm were in Lethbridge Wednesday where Mose was a witness at the inquest into the death of Sergt. Withers killed in the car accident just west of town about a month ago. The other soldier occupant of the car is still unconscious in hospital suffering from a fractured skull.

Two cyclists pulled up for the night at a hotel. "Well, I think," said the host "that you'll have a comfortable night. It's a feather bed." At two o'clock in the morning one of the cyclists roused his companion. "Change places with me, Dick," he groaned; "it's my turn to lie on the feather."



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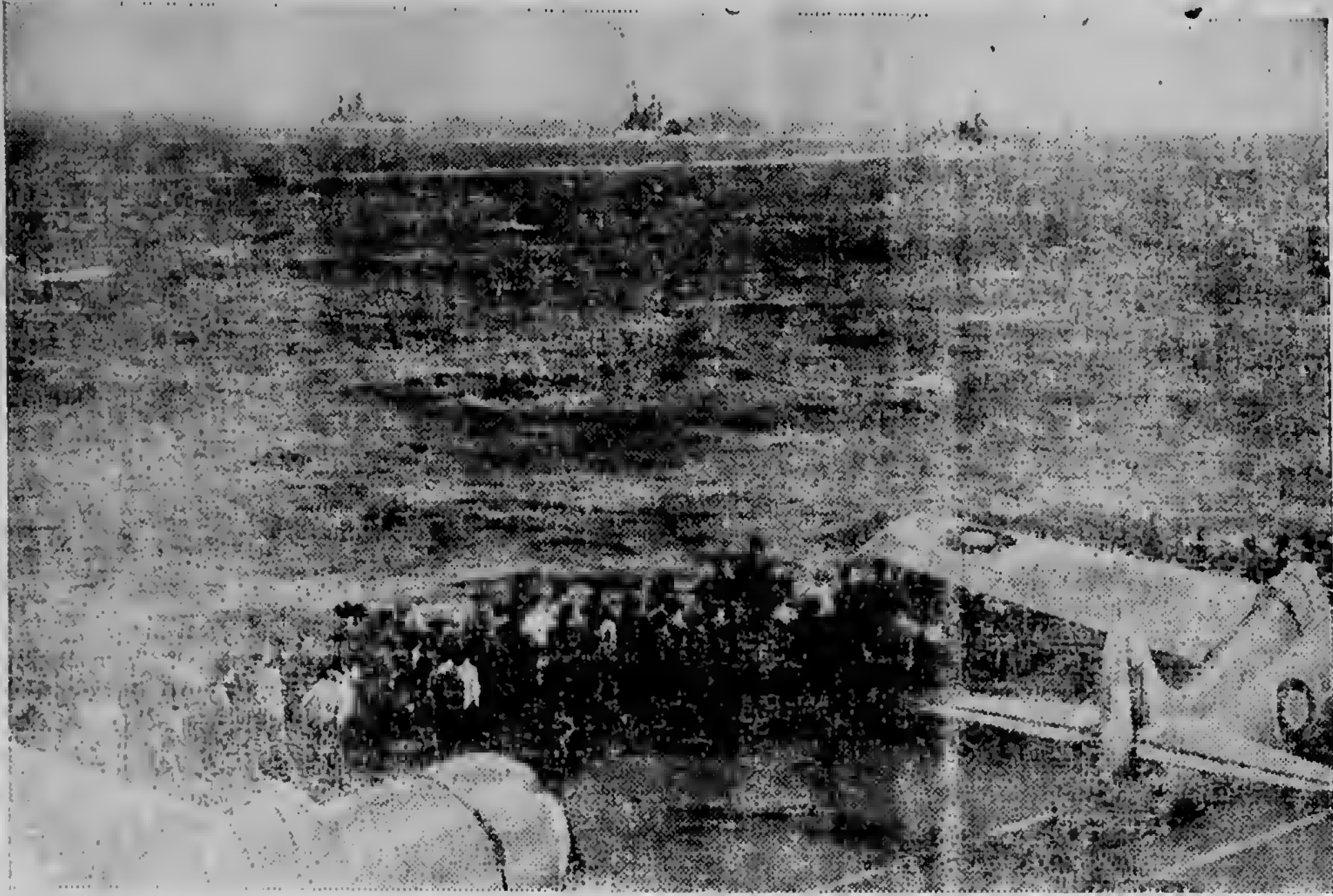
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Britain's Big Ships in the Mediterranean: Picture made H.M.S. Formidable



In the photo are some of Britain's leviathans of the sea, the Formidable 23,000 and the Rodney and Newfoundland, nearest the camera, 33,960 tons, mounting 16" guns.



WEEKLY LETTER
DURUM WHEAT

Durum wheat is attracting the attention of some farmers at the present time. No doubt the chief reasons for this are

the five cent premium over spring wheat, and the higher quota allowed in the case of durum.

It is frequently stated that some varieties, at least, of the durum class, will outyield the common varieties of hard red spring wheat. Experiments at the Lethbridge Station definitely indicate that the durum wheat will not outyield the best varieties of spring wheat in any significant manner and the question of rust of course does not come into the picture with us. Durum varieties are also later in maturing and considerably weaker in the straw.

Before rust resistant varieties became commonly grown in Manitoba and Eastern Saskatchewan durum wheat was grown fairly commonly, as it withstood the rust scourge slightly better than other common spring wheats. In those years durum wheat was so plentiful in Manitoba that it sold at a decided discount under spring wheat. The introduction there of rust resistant varieties of hard red wheat, however, has resulted in a sharp decrease in the acreage devoted to durum wheat, so that for the last few seasons

the prices paid for durum wheat, have been much more favourable. At present it is selling at a premium of five cents a bushel over hard red spring wheat and marketing restrictions provide for a higher quota in the case of durum.

When considering the growing of durum wheat there are points that should be kept in mind. It should not be grown under conditions where it is likely to become mixed with other spring wheat. It would be very unfortunate if the quality of our hard red spring wheat became depreciated through having durum wheat mixed with it. This would also react to the disadvantage of growers having wheat badly mixed to a decidedly lower price. The sell, as mixed wheat commands a price for No. 1 mixed wheat at present is 96 3/4c per bushel as compared with \$1.08 3/4 per bushel for No. 1 Northern. It would be necessary to grow durum on a sufficiently large enough acreage to provide ear lot shipments.



By
Dr. K. W. Neathby
Director, Agricultural Department
North-West Line Elevators Association

Wheat Variety Survey

The official recommendations as to what varieties of wheat should be grown and where they should be grown are published each winter in each of the three prairie provinces. Copies are placed in the hands of all Line Elevator agents. 1944 recommendations should be available early in February.

We decided that it would be interesting to find out if farmers followed the advice — usually good, and always worth considering — of the cereal variety recommendation committees. The recommendations are based on soil-climatic zones and any farmer can consult the zone map in his Line Elevator to find out in which zone he lives and what varieties are considered suitable. Thanks to country elevator agents, we have been able to determine the percentages of the total wheat acreage occupied by different varieties and to compare these with the official expert advice. This is what we find.

Alberta (in 1943)

The percentage of varieties not recommended varies from 3.1 in Zone 2 to 28.4 in Zone 4A. The latter zone contained 13.5% Garnet, 9.7% Marquis and 5.2% others. Only Thatcher and Red Bobs had official approval. In Zone 1, about 16.0% of the acreage was occupied by varieties not recommended, largely because Red Bobs is becoming popular even though it lacks official approval in this zone.

Saskatchewan (in 1943)

The farmers and the officials should get together! In Zone 1, 30.9 per cent of the acreage is occupied by varieties lacking official approval, and in Zone 2, the percentage is 16.6. This is largely because Marquis has been removed from the recommended list, but many farmers grow it.

Alas, no room for Manitoba. Ask your Line Elevator agent for a brightly coloured "Seedtime and Harvest" with more information!

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THURSDAY DECEMBER 16th

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Claus himself menling up his traditional red suit with big blue patches. Inside the folder Santa peeks through the "o" in 'old' and says, a bit wearily, we take it: "So here's the good old wish, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Judging further from Xmas cards, it seems that the transportation situation is getting more and more hopeless. One card shows a typical scene in a railway station and a harassed conductor urging the crowds to 'get aboard for a merry Xmas.' Father Christmas, on the other hand, has abandoned the good old reindeer-and buggy and now travels by airplane, and occasionally by parachute, on some of the cards.

IT AIN'T GAS

"It ain't gas for I've got none to spare," sighs a typical Canadian from his jalopy parked on the front of another Xmas card. Inside, the jalopy is hitched to a couple of horses and the whip cracks to spell out "It's just that good old-fashioned put: Merry Christmas, Happy New Year."

But it's rationing that Santa uses to take the boys in Ottawa for a real ride. On poor grade paper he has inscribed, with not too subtle truth, this verse:

"I'm rationed now on pork and beans,
The coffee's short—so's tea,
I've cut out speeding round in high,

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brewerton made a business trip to Calgary Wednesday and returned home Thursday.

A very enjoyable 70's social was held at the Stake House Saturday night when members of the 145th Quorum with their partners gathered in their annual get together. Senior President I. Bliss Roberts and wife were the honored guests prior to their departure for the mission field.

Christmas shopping this year is largely a matter of "see and grab it." There is no delaying nor even taking a chance on coming back later it is bought right now and carried away. Even so, under war conditions there is a very good array of practical gifts for all members of the family.

It's old 'shanks-mare' for me. I have to save on sugar, too, And butter, oil and lard; An' just to cap the climax, here's my wish

On a rationed Xmas card." All in all, a browse through the Christmas card bars in various Calgary stores indicates that Santa Claus won't need to jingle any Christmas bells this year... you'll hear him coming down your chimney laughing at the government's orders-in-council.—Calgary Herald.

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TOP PRICES FOR YOUR HOGS—I buy hogs every Thursday at the Raymond Stock yards. Highest prices.—E. H. Nilsson, Raymond.

Glen Organ is in Taber at present working at the Strip Coal mine there. He went there last week.

"I am in favor of wine and spirits," said the great financier.

"I am an overworked man, and every night after dinner I have forty or fifty letters to write. In these circumstances I find a bottle of champagne with the evening meal a great help.

"Does it help you to answer the letters?"

"No," said the financier, "but after it I don't care a hang whether I answer them or not."

FAMILIARITY

The children, George, aged four, and Ernest, aged five, were being put to bed.

"We do love you, mummy," said George, hugging her.

"Why do you love me darling?"

"Cos we like your face."

"But it isn't much of a face," said mother.

That was a bit of a poser. The boy thought a moment.

"But we've got used to it," he said.

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NEWS NOTES

Miss Marie Jordan, Provincial Supervisor of the Youth Training Course was a week-end visitor in Raymond and was the guest of Mrs. Sara Low while here.

Word received from Robert Crawford, who is a prisoner of war in Germany states that he is O. K. This is about all the information given on the card received by Mr. and Mrs. Dave Richardson.

FEED RESERVES

To the farmer with live stock, a reserve of feed is an insurance policy, and on such farms grain production is made to fit a live stock programme.

It is true that there are large quantities of feed grains now in storage in Alberta, but it must be remembered that there are outside markets which may attract considerable quantities and feed reserves may disappear from live stock districts. Shortage of grain crops in Eastern Canada together with expanded live stock numbers in those provinces necessitates the shipment of coarse grains east on a larger scale than ever before attempted. British Columbia will require some coarse grains from Alberta. The United States, likewise, is looking to grain on farms in Alberta to provide basic feed necessities as soon as Canadian requirements are met.

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